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Title : METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR EFFECTUATING A  
CHANGE IN A NEURAL-FUNCTION OF A PATIENT  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Commissioner:

In keeping with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, this paper includes a clean version of the amended specification paragraph. Please amend the application as follows and reconsider the application in light of the following remarks.

In the Specification:

In the section "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS" in paragraph [0024] please add the following after the first sentence:

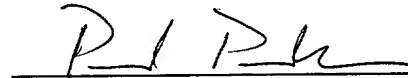
Figure 4A is a flow chart illustrating a method 100a for effectuating a neural-function by stimulating a specific anatomic location in accordance with an embodiment of the invention. Figure 4B is a table illustrating a first list containing a plurality of conditions that affect physical and/or cognitive functions, and a second list containing a plurality of anatomic locations where neural-activity is suspected to occur for carrying out the particular functions.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the application in view of this preliminary amendment. If the Examiner has any questions or matters that can be expediently handled by telephone, he or she is encouraged to contact Mr. Paul Parker, attorney for the Applicants.

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